AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

Claim 1. (Currently Amended): A laminate that is not subjected to final consolidation by a binder, comprising:

at least one non-woven mat containing glass staple fibers pre-consolidated with a resin, and at least **[[**one**]]** two non-woven **[[**layer**]]** layers of synthetic fibers, wherein the at least **[[**one**]]** two synthetic non-woven **[[**layer**]]** layers and the pre-consolidated non-woven mat containing glass fibers are ~~bounded~~ bound together by needling such that a portion of the fibers of one of the synthetic non-woven **[[**layer**]]** layers passes through the non-woven layer containing glass fibers and penetrates a side of the layer of glass fibers facing away from the said one layer of synthetic fibers, and ~~optionally~~ through **[[**any**]]** an underlying synthetic non-woven layer, and wherein the synthetic fibers are heat shrunken, **[[**and**]]** the laminate is binder free, and the gsm substance (basis weight) of said layers of synthetic non-woven layers is equal or different.

Claim 2. (Previously Presented): The laminate according to Claim 1, wherein said pre-consolidation resin is selected from the group consisting of urea, acrylate, melamine, phenolic, epoxy, vinyl acetate, polyvinyl alcohol and polyvinyl chloride resins.

Claim 3 (Canceled)

Claim 4. (Previously Presented): The laminate according to Claim 1, wherein the synthetic fibers are selected from the group consisting of polyester, poly(ethylene terephthalate) and polypropylene.

Claim 5. (Original): The laminate according to Claim 1, wherein the synthetic non-wovens fibers are filamentary.

Claim 6. (Original): The laminate according to Claim 1, wherein the synthetic non-wovens fibers are staple fibers.

Claim 7. (Previously Presented): The laminate according to Claim 1, wherein the laminate comprises two filamentary synthetic non-wovens layers and a non-woven containing glass fibers in a sandwich-structure where the ratio of the gsm substance of the two filamentary synthetic non-wovens is 1:1 to 1:5.

Claim 8. (Original): The laminate according to Claim 7, wherein the ratio of the gsm substance of said two filamentary non-wovens is about 1:1 to 1:2.

Claim 9. (Original): The laminate according to Claim 1, wherein the synthetic non-wovens are mechanically, thermally or hydrodynamically pre-consolidated.

Claim 10. (Original): The laminate according to Claim 1, wherein the synthetic non-wovens are not consolidated prior to needling.

Claim 11. (Canceled)

Claim 12. (Original): The laminate according to Claim 1, wherein the non-woven of glass fibers contains 5 to 45% by weight of a binder resin.

Claim 13. (Original): The laminate according to Claim 1, wherein the non-woven of glass containing fibers contains 10 to 30% by weight of a binder resin.

Claim 14. (Original): The laminate according to Claim 1, wherein the laminate is produced at a minor draft in the needle machine.

Claim 15. (Original): The laminate according to Claim 14, wherein the needle draft is from about 0 to 13 mm/stroke.

Claim 16. (Canceled)

Claim 17. (Original): The laminate according to Claim 1, wherein the non-woven containing glass fibers contains glass fibers of the E class, C class, mixtures thereof and ECR glass.

Claim 18 (Previously Presented): The laminate according to Claim 1, wherein said synthetic non-woven layer includes filamentary polyesters.

Claim 19 (Amended and Withdrawn): A method for the production of the laminate according to claim 1, which comprises pre-consolidating at least one non-woven mat containing glass staple fibers with a resin, disposing said layer ~~beneath a non-woven layer of synthetic fibers or~~ between non-woven layers of synthetic fibers, wherein the non-woven layers of synthetic fibers and the pre-consolidated non-woven mat containing glass fibers are bound together by needling such that a part of the fibers of one of the synthetic non-woven layers passes through the non-woven mat containing glass fibers and through an underlying layer of synthetic fibers, heat shrinking the synthetic fibers and forming said laminate without final consolidation through the use of a binder.

Claim 20. (Withdrawn): The method Claim 19, wherein said pre-consolidation resin is selected from the group consisting of urea, acrylate and melamine, phenolic, epoxy, vinyl acetate, polyvinyl alcohol and polyvinyl chloride resins.

Claim 21. (Withdrawn): The method of Claim 19, wherein said non-woven layers of synthetic fibers are of equal or different thicknesses.

Claim 22. (Canceled)

Claim 23. (Canceled)

Claim 24. (Amended and Withdrawn): The method of Claim 19, wherein the synthetic fibers in the non-woven layer are shrunken prior to ~~bonding~~ needling with the non-woven layer containing glass fibers.

Claim 25. (Withdrawn): The method of Claim 19, wherein said synthetic fibers are selected from the group consisting of polyester, poly(ethylene terephthalate) and polypropylene.

Claim 26. (Withdrawn): The method of Claim 19, wherein said synthetic non-wovens fibers are filamentary.

Claim 27. (Withdrawn): The method of Claim 19, wherein the synthetic non-wovens fibers are staple fibers.

Claim 28. (Withdrawn): The method of Claim 19, further comprising needling of said non-woven mat containing glass staple fibers and the non-woven layers of synthetic fibers with needles that have a distance between the needle point and the first barb of about 2 to 4 mm.

Claim 29. (Withdrawn): The method of Claim 19, wherein said needling is executed with a forward feed ratio for the stroke of less than 14 mm/stroke.

Claim 30. (Withdrawn): The method of Claim 19, wherein said non-woven mat of glass staple fibers is reinforced with longitudinal fibers, yarns or scrims.

Claim 31. (Withdrawn): The method of Claim 19, wherein the fibers of said synthetic non-woven are shrunken at temperatures of 140 to 220°C.

Claim 32. (Withdrawn): The method of Claim 19, further comprising: compressing the laminate with a calender.

Claim 33. (Withdrawn): The method of Claim 32, wherein said calender is fabric/belt or laminate calender.

Claim 34. (Withdrawn): The method of Claim 19, further comprising shrinking said laminate at temperatures that corresponds at least to the temperature of a bitumen containing bath used for bituminizing the laminate.

Claim 35. (Withdrawn): The method of Claim 34, wherein said shrinking temperature is up to 30°C above the temperature of the bitumen bath.

Claim 36. (Withdrawn): The method of Claim 19, wherein said non-wovens layer containing glass fibers includes fibers of the E or C class, mixtures thereof and ECR glass.

Claim 37. (Withdrawn): Bituminized roofing felts or sealing membranes containing the laminate of Claim 1 as support.

Claim 38. (Withdrawn): Bitumen shingles containing the laminate of Claim 1 as support.

Claim 39. (Withdrawn): Floor covering containing the laminate of Claim 1 as support.

Claim 40 (Previously Presented): The laminate according to Claim 42, wherein reinforcements are fibers, yarns running in lengthwise direction or scrims.

Claim 41 (Previously Presented): The laminate according to Claim 40, wherein the reinforcements are disposed within or between the layers of the laminate.

Claim 42 (Previously Presented): A laminate that is not subjected to final consolidation by a binder, comprising:

at least one non-woven mat containing glass staple fibers pre-consolidated with a resin, and at least one non-woven layer of synthetic fibers, wherein the at least one synthetic non-woven layer and the pre-consolidated non-woven mat containing glass fibers are bound together by needling such that a portion of the fibers of the synthetic non-woven layer passes through the non-woven layer containing glass fibers and penetrates a side of the layer of glass fibers facing away from the layer of synthetic fibers, and optionally through any underlying synthetic non-woven layer, and wherein the synthetic fibers are heat shrunken and the laminate includes reinforcement and is binder free.